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of the generation of antibody diversity.

CLAIMS:

8. A molecular mimetic of a unique epitope of Neisseria meningitidis serogroup B (MenB), wherein said mimetic is comprised of a peptide comprising an amino acid sequence having at least 90% sequence identity to a sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOs. 1-7, 9-66, and 67.

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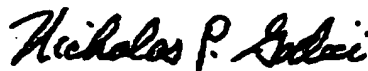
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DATED : April 18, 2000
INVENTOR(S) : Yvonne Paterson

It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

At Col. 6, Line 16, please delete "pica" and insert therefor --plcA--

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TITLE: Amides of antibiotic GE 2270 factors

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D) The main FAB-MS peak of antibiotic GE 2270 factor C.sub.2a is 1306 daltons. This corresponds most likely to the lowest isotope of the protonated molecular ion. The analysis was performed on a Kratos MS-50 double focusing mass spectrometer, using 8 kV accelerating voltage and a saddle field atom gun with Xe gas (2.times.10.sup.-5 torr pressure indicated on the source ion gauge) at 6 kV voltage and 1 mA current. The antibiotic for the FAB-MS analysis was mixed with a thioglycerol matrix containing 0.1M acetic acid.

CLAIMS:

4. A compound as claimed in claim 1 wherein R is methoxymethyl, R.sub.1 and R.sub.4 represent a methyl group and Y is an amino moiety which is derived from a natural amino acid selected from the group consisting of glycine, ornithine, serine, aspartic acid, tyrosine, leucine, phenylalanine, methionine, proline, threonine, and lysine, or a synthetic dipeptide selected from the group consisting of glycyllysine, serylproline, glycylprolinamide, tyrosylprolinamide, threonylprolinamide, and leucylprolinamide.

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8. A compound as claimed in claim 7 wherein Y is an amino moiety which is derived from a natural amino acid selected from the group consisting of glycine, ornithine, serine, aspartic acid, tyrosine, leucine, phenylalanine, methionine, proline, threonine, and lysine, or a synthetic dipeptide selected from the group consisting of glycyllysine, serylproline, glycylprolinamide, tyrosylprolinamide, threonylprolinamide, and leucylprolinamide.

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Antiidiotypic DNA vaccination induces serum bactericidal activity and protection against group B meningococci.

Beninati Concetta; Midiri Angelina; Mancuso Giuseppe; Biondo Carmelo; Arigo Milena; Gerace Elisabetta; Papasergi Salvatore; Gambuzza Maria; Boretti Mauro; Magliani Walter; Conti Stefania; Polonelli Luciano; Teti Giuseppe

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No vaccine is available for preventing infections by serogroup B **Neisseria meningitidis** (MenB), which accounts for a major portion of meningococcal cases in developed countries, because of the poor immunogenicity of the capsular polysaccharide (CP) even after protein conjugation. We have previously induced anticapsular antibodies by immunization with a single chain variable fragment (scFv), which mimics a protective CP epitope. This surrogate antigen, however, was ineffective at inducing serum bactericidal activity, an accepted marker of protection in humans. Serum bactericidal activity was consistently achieved by immunizing mice with the scFv-encoding gene. Immunization with vectors without a secretory signal sequence before the scFv resulted in markedly higher bactericidal activity relative to those with such a sequence. The induced antibodies were capsule specific, as shown by complete inhibition of bactericidal activity by purified MenB CP and by resistance to killing of MenA or MenC. Moreover, these antibodies were predominantly of the IgG2a isotype, reflecting a T helper type 1 response. Administration of sera from scFv gene-vaccinated animals protected infant rats against MenB bacteremia. These data illustrate the potential of vaccination with genes encoding capsular mimics in providing protection against MenB and other encapsulated

bacteria.

Descriptors: *Bacterial Vaccines; *Meningococcal Infections--prevention and control--PC; * **Neisseria meningitidis** , Serogroup B--immunology--IM; *Vaccines, DNA; Animals; Animals, Newborn; Antibodies, Bacterial --immunology--IM; Blood Bactericidal Activity; COS Cells; Cercopithecus aethiops; Immunoglobulin Variable Region--immunology--IM; Meningococcal Infections--immunology--IM; Mice; Mice, Inbred BALB C; **Neisseria meningitidis** , Serogroup B--pathogenicity--PY; Rats; Rats, Wistar
CAS Registry No.: 0 (Antibodies, Bacterial); 0 (Bacterial Vaccines); 0 (Immunoglobulin Variable Region); 0 (Vaccines, DNA)
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Antiidiotype **antibodies as surrogates for polysaccharide vaccines.**

Westerink M A; Campagnari A A; Giardina P; Apicella M A

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In past studies we demonstrated that monoclonal antibody 6F9 is a surrogate image of the meningococcal C capsular polysaccharide. These studies indicated that immunization with this anti-id resulted in a T-dependent antibody response. In the studies reported in this paper, we show that the response which is elicited is protective. Using a model of meningococcal infection in BALB/c mice in which the animals are rendered susceptible with iron dextran, we studied the ability of this anti-id to protect adult mice against challenge. These studies encompassed the ability of 6F9 to prime neonatal mice and provide them with protection to later challenge. Adult BALB/c mice immunized with 6F9 had a 100% survival and a significantly reduced level of bacteremia at 24 hours. Neonatal mice primed within 24 hours of birth and immunized at 4 weeks of age with 6F9 had a 100% survival and cleared their bacteremia by 8 hours. Neonatal mice primed with 6F9 and challenged at 5 weeks had a 90% survival. These data indicate that anti-id 6F9 is a surrogate antigen for the meningococcal C polysaccharide and is capable of inducing protective immunity in immunologically mature as well as immature animals.

Descriptors: *Antibodies, Anti-Idiotypic--immunology--IM; *Antibodies, Bacterial--immunology--IM; *Bacterial Capsules--immunology--IM; *Bacterial Vaccines--immunology--IM; * **Neisseria meningitidis** --immunology--IM; Animals; Animals, Newborn; Antigens, Bacterial--immunology--IM; Immunologic Memory; Mice; Mice, Inbred BALB C

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Effects of antigen and internal environment on anti-phosphorylcholine immune responses of autoimmune aged NZB/W F1 mice.

Seoane R; Faro J; Eiras A; Lareo I; Couceiro J; Regueiro B J
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The idiotypic profile of anti-phosphorylcholine plaque-forming cell responses and their evolution with ageing were studied in (NZB X NZW) F1 mice. Our results showed that the anti-phosphorylcholine plaque-forming cell response induced by phosphorylcholine coupled to keyhole limpet haemocyanin and, paralleling, the T15 idiotype clonal dominance declined with ageing. This loss of immune competence was also observed with another thymus-dependent (phosphorylcholine coupled to egg globulin) as well as thymus-independent (capsular polysaccharide of *Streptococcus pneumoniae* strain R36a) antigens. In contrast, old mice challenged with an antigenic preparation of *Neisseria meningitidis* showed an immune response not significantly different from that elicited by the same antigen in young mice. The hapten-augmentable plaque-forming cells were assayed to determine whether a putative auto-**antiidiotypic** regulation underlies this loss of immune competence. Only minimal numbers and non-significant differences between young and old mice immunized with any antigen could be detected. Further studies using an adoptive transfer system demonstrated that cells from aged mice were able to support a normal anti-phosphorylcholine response when transferred into lethally irradiated young recipients. Our results suggest that no permanent cellular defects, but rather internal environment or/and radioresistant suppressor cells, are involved in this loss of immune competence. The role played by these factors and their effect on distinct subpopulations of B cells are discussed.

Tags: Female; Male

Descriptors: *Antibody Formation; *Antigens--immunology--IM; *Choline--analogs and derivatives--AA; *Immunocompetence; *Phosphorylcholine--immunology--IM; Aging; Animals; B-Lymphocytes--immunology--IM; Hemolytic Plaque Technique; Immunization, Passive; Immunoglobulin Idiotypes; Mice; Mice, Inbred Strains; Research Support, Non-U.S. Gov't; Spleen--immunology--IM; T-Lymphocytes, Regulatory--immunology--IM

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TITLE: Compositions for delivering peptide YY and PYY agonists

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REPRESENTATIVE-FIGURES: 1

ABSTRACT:

The present invention provides a composition (e.g., a pharmaceutical composition) comprising at least one delivery agent compound and at least one of peptide YY (PYY) and a PYY agonist. Preferably, the composition includes a therapeutically effective amount of peptide YY or the PYY agonist and the delivery agent compound. The composition of the present invention facilitates the delivery of PYY, a

PYY agonist, or a mixture thereof and increases its bioavailability compared to administration without the delivery agent compound. PPY and PYY agonists possess activity as agents to reduce nutrient availability, including reduction of food intake

[0001] This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/470,905, filed May 14, 2003, U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/471,114, filed May 15, 2003, U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/506,702, filed Sep. 25, 2003, and U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/536,697, filed Jan. 14, 2004, all of which are hereby incorporated by reference.

[0143] To discriminate between these two possibilities, agglutination-inhibition experiments were performed using rabbit anti-type III antibodies, in place of mAb P9D8, to induce agglutination. The rationale behind these studies is that idiotypes unrelated to antigen binding are rarely present in antibodies raised in different species (Westerink et al., 1990).

1TABLE 1

Ability of anti-idiotypic scFv to inhibit
GBS agglutination
by type III-specific antibodies
Anti-type
III antibody Inhibitor Agglutination

None None -

mAb P9D8 ascites.sup.a None +
mAb P9D8 ascites Type III CHO (5
.mu.g/ml) -
mAb P9D8 ascites Group CHO (25 .mu.g/ml) +
mAb
P9D8 ascites C10 scFv (240 .mu.g/ml) -
mAb P9D8 ascites C10 scFv
(120 .mu.g/ml) -
mAb P9D8 ascites C10 scFv (60 .mu.g/ml) -

mAb P9D8 ascites C10 scFv (30 .mu.g/ml) -
mAb P9D8 ascites C10
scFv (15 .mu.g/ml) -
mAb P9D8 ascites C10 scFv (7.5 .mu.g/ml) +

mAb P9D8 ascites H6 scFv (240 .mu.g/ml) +
Absorbed rabbit
serum.sup.b None +
Absorbed rabbit serum Type III CHO (5 .mu.g/ml)
-
Absorbed rabbit serum Group CHO (25 .mu.g/ml) +
Absorbed
rabbit serum C10 scFv (240 .mu.g/ml) -
Absorbed rabbit serum C10
scFv (120 .mu.g/ml) -
Absorbed rabbit serum C10 scFv (60 .mu.g/ml)
-
Absorbed rabbit serum C10 scFv (30 .mu.g/ml) +
Absorbed
rabbit serum H6 scFv (240 .mu.g/ml) +

.sup.aUsed at a
final dilution of 1:125,000
.sup.bUsed at a final dilution of
1:500

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TITLE: Vaccine formulations comprising antiidiotypic antibodies which immunologically mimic group B streptococcal carbohydrates

DATE-ISSUED: January 13, 2004

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CLAIMS:

What is claimed is:

1. An isolated scFv fragment that is capable of eliciting a type III capsular polysaccharide-specific protective immune response against group B Streptococcus.
2. The scFv fragment of claim 1, wherein the immune response comprises antibodies that bind to the scFv fragment.
3. The scFv fragment according to claim 1, wherein the immune response comprises T-cells that bind to the scFv fragment.
4. The scFv fragment according to claim 1, wherein the structure of the scFv fragment mimics an antigenic determinant of the type III capsular polysaccharide of group B Streptococcus.
5. The scFv fragment according to claim 1, linked to a carrier protein that is effective to promote the delivery of the scFv fragment to the bloodstream of a patient or which promotes an immune response against the scFv fragment.
6. A composition comprising the scFv fragment according to claim 1 in combination with a pharmaceutically-acceptable excipient.
7. The composition according to claim 6, wherein the excipient is suitable for oral, subcutaneous, intramuscular, topical or intravenous administration.
8. The composition according to claim 6 additionally comprising an adjuvant.
9. The composition according to claim 8, wherein the adjuvant comprises alum.
10. The composition of claim 8, wherein the adjuvant comprises an oil-in-water emulsion.

Detailed Description Text (23):

Synthesis and Biological Activity of a Vaccine Against Neisseria meningitidis Serogroup B

Other Reference Publication (1):

Apicella, The Journal of Infectious Diseases 140(1): 62-72 (1979), "Lipopolysaccharide-Derived Serotype Polysaccharides from Neisseria Meningitidis Group B".

Other Reference Publication (3):

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Jennings et al., The Pathogenic Neisseriae, Proceedings of the Fourth International Symposium, Asilomar, California, Oct. 21-25, 1984, pp. 628-632: "Enhancement of the Immune Response to the Group B Polysaccharide of Neisseria Meningitidis by Means of Its Chemical Modification".

Other Reference Publication (8):

Jennings et al., The Journal of Immunology 134(4): 2651-2657 (1985), "Determinant Specificities of the Groups B and C Polysaccharides of Neisseria Meningitidis".

Other Reference Publication (10):

Jennings et al., The Journal of Immunology 142(10): 3585-3591 (1989), "Unique Intermolecular Bactericidal Epitope Involving the Homosialopolysaccharide Capsule on the Cell Surface of Group B Neisseria Meningitidis and Escherichia ColiK1".

Other Reference Publication (11):

Jennings et al., J. Exp. Med. 165: 1207-1211 (1987): "N-Propionylated Group B Meningococcal Polysaccharide Mimics a Unique Epitope on Group B Neisseria Meningitidis".

Other Reference Publication (14):

Lifely et al., Carbohydrate Research 134: 229-243 (1984), "Rate, Mechanism and Immunochemical Studies of Lactonisation in Serogroup B and C Polysaccharides of Neisseria Meningitidis".

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Lifely et al., Carbohydrate Research 156: 123-135 (1986), "Analysis of the Chain Length of Oligomers and Polymers of Sialic Acid Isolated From Neisseria Meningitidis Group B and C and Escherichia ColiK1 and K92".

Other Reference Publication (16):

Marburg et al., J. Am. Chem. Soc. 108: 5282-5287 (1986), "Biomolecular Chemistry of Macromolecules: Synthesis of Bacterial Polysaccharide Conjugates with Neisseria Meningitidis Membrane Protein".

CLAIMS:

3. The immune composition according to claim 2, wherein the bacterium is Neisseria meningitidis.

11. The immune composition of claim 1, wherein the immune composition comprises at least one antibody selected from the group consisting of monoclonal antibodies and antiidiotype antibodies.

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TITLE: Vaccine formulations comprising antiidiotypic antibodies which immunologically mimic group B streptococcal carbohydratesSummary of Invention Paragraph:

[0007] An alternative strategy to obtain effective and boostable antibody responses against carbohydrate antigens involves the development of protein molecules mimicking the conformation of relevant carbohydrate epitopes. The advantage of this approach is that, by their chemical nature, proteins have an intrinsic ability to stimulate T cell help in an antigen-specific way. This strategy resulted in the development of a monoclonal antiidiotypic antibody (mAb) coupled to a carrier protein that was successfully used as a surrogate vaccine to immunoprotect BALB/c mice against lethal *Streptococcus pneumoniae* infection (McNamara et al., 1984). Monoclonal antibodies mimicking the K13 *Escherichia coli* (Stein et al., 1984) and the group C *Neisseria meningitidis* (Westerink et al., 1988) capsular antigens have also been described.

Detail Description Paragraph:

[0195] Westerink, M. A., Campagnari, A. A., Wirth, M. A., & Apicella, M. A. Development and characterisation of an anti-idiotypic antibody to the capsular polysaccharide of *Neisseria meningitidis* serogroup C. Infect. Immun. 56,1120-1127 (1988).

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[0011] Peptides mimicking polysaccharides have been reported. For instance, mimotopes of meningococcal group B capsular polysaccharide (Moe et al. 1999. FEMS Immunology and Medical Microbiology 26: 209-226) and meningococcal group C capsular polysaccharide (Westerink et al. 1995 Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 92: 4021-4025) have been identified. Furthermore, WO 00/25814 discloses several serogroup B LOS L3,7,9 heptapeptide mimotopes.

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Experimental immunization with a monoclonal anti-idiotope antibody that mimics the *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* lipooligosaccharide epitope 2C7.

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An anti-idiotope monoclonal antibody (MAb), called CA1 (Ab2), was produced in mice against MAb 2C7, which recognizes a widely in vivo-expressed gonococcal lipooligosaccharide (LOS) epitope. Mice immunized with MAb CA1 initially had a 2.5-fold increase in IgG (12-fold after a booster) but no increase in IgM anti-LOS (Ab1') antibody. Control mice immunized with LOS had a 4.5-fold rise in IgG and 4-fold rise in IgM anti-LOS antibody. In rabbits, MAb CA1 elicited a 9-fold rise in IgG and a 3.3-fold rise in IgM anti-LOS (Ab1') antibody. Ab1' antibody bactericidal activity was 1-2 logs greater than that produced by immunization with LOS. Ab1' mediated complete human polymorphonuclear leukocyte phagocytosis of 2C7 epitope-positive (but not 2C7 epitope-negative) gonococci. MAb CA1 acts as a molecular surrogate (Ab2beta) for the nominal LOS antigen and may form the basis for vaccine candidates for human immunization against *Neisseria gonorrhoeae*.

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Human immune response to a peptide mimic of *Neisseria meningitidis* serogroup C in hu-PBMC-SCID mice.

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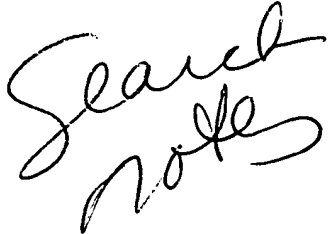
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An anti-idiotypic-based peptide mimic vaccine for *Neisseria meningitidis* serogroup C polysaccharide (MCPS) has been developed and shown to induce a response in mice that is specific, functional, and T-dependent. In this study, the immunogenicity of the MCPS peptide mimic vaccine preparation, as a potential vaccine for use in humans, is shown using the hu-PBMC-SCID mouse model. The human antibody response to the MCPS peptide mimic vaccine is specific and functional as shown by inhibition enzyme-linked immunoadsorbent assay (ELISA) and bactericidal assay. These data support the usefulness of the peptide mimic vaccine strategy for humans.

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(54) Title: PEPTIDE MIMOTOPES OF CARBOHYDRATE ANTIGENS (57) Abstract Methods of preparing a peptide and antigenic antibodies which mimic an antigenic carbohydrate are disclosed. The method comprises the steps of identifying a peptide sequence which is immunogenically cross reactive an antigenic carbohydrate and synthesizing a peptide or recombinant antibody which comprises the peptide sequence. Methods of generating an immune response against a pathogen or tumor cell in an individual using such peptides, recombinant antibodies comprising such peptide, or DNA vaccines live attenuated vaccines, or recombinant vaccines that encode such peptides are disclosed. Methods of enhancing binding of anti-antigenic carbohydrate antibodies to the antigenic carbohydrate in an individual are disclosed. The methods comprise administering to an individual anti-antigenic carbohydrate antibodies and a peptide which mimics the antigenic carbohydrate. Methods of inhibiting binding of a ligand to a receptor which is an antigenic carbohydrate are disclosed. The methods comprise administering to an individual a peptide which mimics an antigenic carbohydrate. Methods of identifying peptide sequences which can induce an immune response against two or more different pathogens are disclosed. Novel compositions are disclosed.		

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Table 4. Summary of Complement Dependent Cytotoxicity Results

Tumor	C1	P2	P1	P3	G1	G2	B1	LeY-PAA	ME361	BR55-2
SKMEI-28	3	13	10	32	75	87	10	4	53 (50µg)	3 (100µg)
SKBR3	6	80	90	86	10	13	90	20	10 (100µg)	80(100µg)
MCF-7	3	29	66	56	20	15	70	26	5 (50µg)	75(100µg)
WM793	5	9	9	28	90	90	10	2	63 (30µg)	1 (100µg)
OVAR-3	5	84	89	86	9	11	85	25	6(50µg)	80(100µg)

Values are averaged percent cytotoxicity. Final dilutions are 1:15 for sera. Monoclonal antibody ME361 and BR55-2 concentrations are per ml.

Peptides used in these studies .

SEQ ID NO: 37	G1	GVVWRYTAPVHLGDG	ME361 phage screen
SEQ ID NO: 38	G2	LDVVLAWRDGLSGAS	ME361 phage screen
SEQ ID NO: 39	P1	GGIYYPYDIYYPYDIYYPYD	Repeating motif of Con A phage screen
SEQ ID NO: 40	P2	GGIYWRYDIYWRYDIYWRYD	Repeating motif from amylase inhibitor
SEQ ID NO: 41	P3	GGIYYRYDIYRYDIYRYD	Repeating motif of anti-Id
SEQ ID NO: 42	P4	GSSFWRYYTYDPS	PH-6 phage screen
SEQ ID NO: 43	B1	IMILLIFSLWFGGA	BR55-2 phage screen
SEQ ID NO: 44	C1	GTRYIPALOHGDKK	Irrelevant Control

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in analyzing closely related interactive sites of proteins in general and of antibodies in particular. Peptide mimotopes of carbohydrate antigens that can be rendered immunogenic can provide an alternative immunogen for carbohydrate antigens that are difficult to isolate or synthesize. In addition, peptide mimotopes provide an alternative to identifying
5 epitopes that are otherwise not defined chemically as those associated with some complex carbohydrate determinants.

Peptide libraries provide an almost infinite source of molecular shapes, amongst which one would expect to find mimics of any given antigen. Screening of random peptide libraries with monoclonal libraries has selected specific peptides. Such
10 peptides will reflect the conformation of the antigen binding site and may provide molecular mimotopes of particular epitopes. Although peptide libraries have been used to identify mimotopes for a few saccharides, it was not certain that peptide mimotopes could be identified that would bind well enough to inhibit the binding of antibodies to carbohydrate antigens or induce immune responses that are protective in nature.

Peptide mimotopes for carbohydrates have been defined containing a two
15 aromatic amino acid repeat motif W/YXY found to Con A (YPY), in peptides that mimic the Lewis Y antigen (WLY), in peptides that bind to antibodies to the meningococcal group C capsular polysaccharide (YRY), and in antibodies that bind to Cryptococcus epitopes. These observations argue that a particular peptide structure is required for polysaccharide mimicry. Antibody heavy chain complementarity regions constitute a
20 natural constrained loop peptide library that are rich in aromatic amino acids, especially tyrosine. Binding site specific anti-anti-idiotypic antibodies can serve as mimotopes for polysaccharide antigens. In this context, the binding site of an anti-idiotypic antibody could be looked upon as a way of presenting peptides so that they will mimic a particular
25 conformation of a non-protein antigen. A more precise understanding of the binding of peptides and saccharides at the molecular level is required in order to determine whether the occurrence of motifs like W/YXY in mimotopes of saccharide structures is due to molecular mimicry or simply reflects an advantage provided by aromatic rings for interactions between proteins. In addition to the role that peptide mimotopes can play in
30 exploring the fine specificity of antibodies, they may mimic polysaccharides as antigen and potentially elicit an anti-oligosaccharide response. Not all peptides that have been isolated

[0036] As described above, the large number of peptide mimotopes identified by the phage display technique allows the identification of patterns which define an epitope (or part of an epitope) of a mimotope of L3,7,9 LOS. Accordingly a further aspect of the invention is peptide mimotopes of L3,7,9 LOS comprising the amino acid sequence (either linear or cyclised): ~~WY~~; PP; AP; PY; PPY; PPF PPW; APP; WYS; WYT; LWY; GGY; GPY; PPYD (a preferred motif); PPFD; FDPP; GGYL; PPWD; SLWY; PXWY; WYXXP; YXY; PWST; EKKXF or WXY (where each X is the same or different and is an amino acid, preferably a naturally-occurring amino acid).

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Brief Summary Text:

[0014] Still further embodiments of the subject invention are related to methods for isolating molecular mimetics of unique epitopes of MenB PS and molecular mimetics identified using the methods. The methods comprise: [0015] (a) providing a population of molecules including a putative molecular mimetic of a unique epitope of MenB PS; [0016] (b) contacting the population of molecules with the antibodies described above under conditions that allow immunological binding between the antibody and the molecular mimetic, if present, to provide a complex; and [0017] (c) separating the complexes from non-bound molecules.

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Description of Disclosure:

[0042] "Molecular mimetics" of MenB PS, or derivatives of MenB PS are molecules that functionally mimic at least one "unique" epitope expressed on a MenB bacteria. A "unique epitope" is an epitope capable of eliciting the formation of functionally active (e.g., opsonic and/or complement-mediated bactericidal) anti-MenB antibodies that either are not cross-reactive with polysialic acid in host tissue and hence lack autoimmune activity, or are minimally cross-reactive. Such molecular mimetics are useful in vaccine compositions and in eliciting antibodies for diagnostic or therapeutic applications, as described further below. Molecular mimetics include, but are not limited to, small organic compounds; nucleic acids and nucleic acid derivatives; saccharides or oligosaccharides; peptide mimetics including peptides, proteins, and derivatives thereof, such as peptides containing non-peptide organic moieties,

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Description of Disclosure:

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CLAIMS:

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